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Dear Mr. Verb,

My most sincere apologies for not getting this to you sooner. It seems as though the school year gets more and more hectic with each day. I *am* taking a bit of time out to play with the school's new computer, though. Pardon the plentiful typing errors.

I find it most interesting that Mr. Weisberg has thought of the possibility of earlier shots used in conjuction with silencers. I had often thought of that possibility, but kept it to myself prior to contacting you because I felt that people would think me a bit paranoid. With the suggestion being seriously discussed with you, and now with Mr. Weisberg, I think that it gives a bit more credibility to the idea. Maybe I'm not as far out in left field as I once had thought.

The National Enquirer article by Mr. Tague would be of great interest, as I was unaware that he had written anything on the assassination. Furthermore, I would be most interested to see if he received payment for the article. I spoke to him in June of 1992, and found him to be less than the ideal interview subject, and at times abrasive. He eventually gave me something (and I haven't had time to go back and review the tape for the exact quote) like "From where I was standing, there was only a ten or fifteen degree difference between the Book Depository Building and where Zapruder was standing. So, who knows?" With that, I decided to cut my losses, and I terminatied the call. He certainly neglected to mention the fence or the pergola. What ever happened to sticking to your story?

My statement about never seeing a wound created by an ice bullet was entirely tonge-in-cheek. Kansas is not really a hotbed of intel activities. We get a lot of FBI/ATF people since Oklahoma City, but they are pretty much playing by the rules with all of this national (and Congressional) scruitiny. It would be interesting, however, to see the results of an independent (and I stress the word *independent*) study of the ballistics involved in ice trajectories. That could conceivably shed new light on any number of unsolved murder cases anywhere

in the world. Of course, the Department of Plans would destroy such a study before it was even off the ground.

As far as the wound characteristics, one would need to consult one of three people: Dr. Cyril Wecht, Dr. Micheal Badden, or Dr. Henry Lee. (Certainly, Los Angeles' Dr. Irwin Golden should be at the bottom of the list of consultants.) If I were a gambler, and I wanted an educated guess on the subject, I'd go with Dr. Wecht.

The couple seen running in the direction of the pergola is an item with which I am not familiar. Most people would probably argue that they were running away from the source (or the perceived source) of the report. In my opinion, groups like the Secret Service do not train people to run in the direction of a gunshot: they teach people how to utilize an instict. People can do so without any training, but rather just by following an instict to disarm an assailant. Now, it one was perhaps an off duty police officer, the other may have followed. There are any number of possiblities, and I think that running in that direction should definitely be looked a more closely--it may be of greater significance than anyone has ever known. Without question, they should be identified and thoroughly questioned.

I appreciate your letters, and look forward to reading your articles in the near future. Unfortunately, I will be in the middle of mid terms soon, and unable to attend COPA's conference. I am told that two papers which I submitted will appear in the abstract book. They are nothing groundbreaking, but I felt that they deal with matters which should be addressed.

Enclosed are a couple of items which you may or may not find interesting. I received a note and two documents from General Walker after I spoke to him in March of 1993. Also enclosed in a brief note I received from Mr. Posner in November of 1994. I was just going through some of the old binders (my filing system) and thought you might like copies.

I hope you have a great time in Washington, and I look forward from hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

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